TECHNOLOGY NEEDS/OPPORTUNITIES STATEMENT METHOD TO PRESERVE B REACTOR EXTERIOR DUCTWORK FOR THE S&M PROGRAM

Identification No.: RL-DD071

Date: August 2001

Program: Surveillance and Maintenance

OPS Office/Site: Richland Operations Office/ Hanford Site

PBS No.: RL-RC01 Waste Stream: N/A TSD Title: N/A

Waste Management Unit (if applicable): N/A

Facility: 105-B

Priority Rating: This entry addresses the Accelerated Cleanup: Paths to Closure (ACPC)
Priority:
1. Critical to the success of the Accelerated Cleanup: Paths to Closure (ACPC)
2. Provides substantial benefit to the ACPC projects (e.g., moderate to high lifecycle cost savings or risk reduction, increased likelihood of compliance, increased assurance to avoid schedule delays)
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3. Provides opportunities for significant, but lower cost savings or risk reduction, and may reduce uncertainty in ACPC project success.

Need Title: Method to preserve the B Reactor exterior ductwork for the Surveillance and Maintenance (S&M) Program.

Need/Opportunity Category: Technology need - there is no existing or currently identified technology capable of meeting the project's need (i.e., no baseline approach has been identified).

Need Description: The ductwork and associated flashing are failing on the B Reactor. Due to the facility's historical significance, it is desired that the visual appearance of the B Reactor be maintained.

Schedule Requirements:

Earliest Date Required: FY 2002 Latest Date Required: Unknown.

Problem Description: The ductwork at B Reactor was protected by an asbestos coating until it was removed 18 years ago. Since then, the ductwork and flashing have corroded to the point that they are a safety concern in the high winds that are experienced on a regular basis. Due to the historical significance of the facility and the prominence of the ductwork, removal of the ductwork may not be allowed without replacement of like-kind material or an aesthetically acceptable solution.

Benefit to the Project Baseline of Filling Need: Preservation of a national historical landmark and assurance of visitor safety.

Functional Performance Requirements: The technology must meet all historical landmark requirements, protect the ductwork and flashing from further deterioration, and maintain safety in high winds (i.e., keep ductwork/sections of ductwork from becoming disconnected in high winds).

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Relevant PBS Milestone: PBS-MC-030

Justification for Need:

Technical: Preservation/replacement of the ductwork at B Reactor.

Regulatory: Regulations related to historical landmarks.

Environmental Safety & Health: Segments of ductwork that may become disconnected due to high winds pose a safety hazard to visitors of the B Reactor.

Cost Savings Potential (Mortgage Reduction): N/A.

Cultural/Stakeholder Concerns: Two concerns are maintaining a historical landmark and ensuring the safety of visitors.

Other: None identified.

Current Baseline Technology: None.

End User: Environmental Restoration Project

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